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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Robert C. Ladner et al.

Application No.: 10/045,674 Confirmation No.: 2458

Filed : October 25, 2001

For : NOVEL METHODS OF CONSTRUCTING LIBRARIES

COMPRISING DISPLAYED AND/OR EXPRESSED MEMBERS OF A DIVERSE FAMILY OF PEPTIDES, POLYPEPTIDES OR PROTEINS AND THE NOVEL

LIBRARIES

Group Art Unit : 1639

Examiner : Jon D. Epperson

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

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New York, NY 10020 February 24, 2004

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a <u>four</u>-month extension of time to respond to the to the Examiner's Office Action dated September 24, 2003. With the extension, the time for replying is extended up to and including February 24, 2004. A check in the amount of

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\$740.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.17(a)(4), is enclosed herewith.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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